

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: J. Woodrow Eldred
John STANKO	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3641
Application No.: 09/640,063	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 5049
Filed: August 17, 2000	)	
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For: HYBRID DEICING SYSTEM AND	)	
METHOD OF OPERATION	:	October 23, 2006

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND  
STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Introductory Comments

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: